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GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services – RWS&S – Vigilance Report No.22, dt.21-07-2022 - Allegations of irregularities in execution of work "Augmentation of water supply scheme to Mantralayam" taken up by RWS&S Department – Disciplinary proceedings against Sri A.S.A.Ramaswamy, the then Executive Engineer, RWS&S Division, Adoni under Rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classifcation, Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991 – Article of charges – Issued.

PANCHAYAT RAJ & RURAL DEVELOPMENT (VIG.VI) DEPARTMENT

G.O.Rt.No. 188

Dated:19 .04.2023

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ORDER:

It is proposed to hold an enquiry against Sri A.S.A.Ramaswamy, the then Executive Engineer, RWS&S Division, Adoni in accordance with the procedure laid down in Rule 20 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classifcation, Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991.

2. The substance of the imputations of misconduct or misbehavior in respect of which the enquiry is proposed to be held is set out in the enclosed statement of article of charge (Annexure-I). A list of documents by which and a list of witnesses by whom, the article of charges are proposed to be sustained are also enclosed as Annexure-II and Annexure-III.

3. Sri A.S.A.Ramaswamy, the then Executive Engineer, RWS&S Division, Adoni is directed to submit written statement of his defence within (10) days of the receipt of this order.

4. Sri A.S.A.Ramaswamy, the then Executive Engineer, RWS&S Division, Adoni is informed that an inquiry will be held only in respect of article of those charges as are not admitted. He should, therefore, specifcally admit or deny article of charge.

5. Sri A.S.A.Ramaswamy, the then Executive Engineer, RWS&S Division, Adoni, is further informed that if he does not submit his written statement of defence on or before the period specifed in Para 3 above or otherwise fails or refuses to comply with the provisions of Rule 20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classifcation, Control & Appeal) Rules, 1991 or the orders / directions issued in pursuance of the said rules, the Inquiring Authority may hold the inquiry against him ex-parte.

6. Sri A.S.A.Ramaswamy, the then Executive Engineer, RWS&S Division, Adoni, is invited to Rule 24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964, under which no Government Servant shall bring or attempt to bring any political or outside infuence to bear upon any superior authority to further his interest in respect of matters pertaining to his service under the Government. If any representation is received on his behalf from another person in respect of any

matter dealt within these proceedings, it will be presumed that Sri A.S.A. Ramaswamy, the then Executive Engineer, RWS&S Division, Adoni is aware of such a representation and that it has been made at his instance and action will be taken against him for violation of Rule-24 of the Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Conduct) Rules, 1964.

7. The receipt of this order shall be acknowledged.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

B.RAJSEKHAR, IAS
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
Sri A.S.A.Ramaswamy, the then Executive Engineer, RWS&S Division, Adoni through the Engineer-in-Chief, RWS&S, Vijayawada.
The Engineer-in-Chief, RWS &S, Vijayawada (in duplicate with a request to serve and return the dated acknowledgement copy)

Copy to:

The G.A.(V&E) Dept (w.r.t. vigilance report No.22,(CNo.390/V&E/ENGG/2018-1)
The A.P. Vigilance Commission, Velagapudi.
The PR&RD (Estt.II) Department.
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ANNEXURE – I

STATEMENT SHOWING THE ARTICLE OF CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI A.S.A.RAMASWAMY, THE THEN EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, RWS&S DIVISION, ADONI (PRESENTLY WORKING AS DREO, RWS&S DEPARTMENT, BHEEMAVARAM OF WEST GODAVARI DISTRICT).

CHARGE :-

That Sri A.S.A.Ramaswamy, the then Executive Engineer, RWS&S Division, Adoni presently working as District RWS Engineering Ofcer, RWS&S, Bhimavaram of West Godavari District has made payment for inferior quality of work and Non-deduction of Labour cess @ 1% from the work bills for the work "Augmentation of water supply scheme to Mantralayam".

Hence the charge.

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ANNEXURE – II

STATEMENT OF THE IMPUTATION OF MISCONDUCT OR MISBHAVIOUR IN SUPPORT OF EACH ARTCLE OF CHARGE FRAMED AGAINST SRI A.S.A. RAMA SWAMY, THE THEN EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, RWS&S DIVISION, ADONI (PRESENTLY WORKING AS DREO, RWS&S DEPARTMENT, BHEEMAVARAM OF WEST GODAVARI DISTRICT)

BASIS :-

The Director General, (Vig & Enft), General Administration (Vigilance & Enforcement) Department, Vigilance Report No.22 (C.No.390/V&E/Engg/2018-1), dt.21.07.2022 has submitted a detailed report on the Confdential Probe on the Complaint fled by Sri P.Thikka Reddy. In his enquiry report the Director General (V&E) was reported to the Government that, As per Clause 17.4.3 of IS 456-2000, concrete in the member represented by a core test shall be considered acceptable if the average equivalent cube strength of the cores is equal to at least 85 percent of the cube strength of the M30 grade concrete specifed for the corresponding age and no individual core has a strength less than 75 percent for the Concrete structures like Bottom Raft of Clarifocculator, 60Kl OHSR at Raghavendranagar, 60Kl OHSR at Ramachandra Nagar & 250Kl OHSR at Raghavendra Nagar and the then Executive Engineer, RWS&S Division, Adoni Sri A.S.A.Ramaswamy, the then Executive Engineer, RWS&S Division, Adoni presently working as District RWS Engineering Ofcer, RWS&S, Bhimavaram made payment for inferior quality of work and also 2) made payment to the Contractor without deducting labour cess @ 1% for an amount of Rs.4,71,000/- which causes loss to the Government. From this it is evident that Sri A.S.A.Rama Swamy has violated the Rules 3(1), 3(2), 3(5) of AP Civil Services Conduct Rules, 1964 for lack of devotion to duty, lack of integrity, lack of impartially and for behaving in a manner unbecoming of a Government employee and for not taking

all possible steps to ensure the integrity and devotion to duty of all Government servants for the time being under his control and authority.

Hence the charge.

B.RAJSEKHAR, IAS
SPECIAL CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

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ANNEXURE – III

LIST OF THE DOCUMENTS BY WHICH THE ARTICLE CHARGES FRAMED AGAINST SRI A.S.A.RAMASWAMY, THE THEN EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, RWS&S DIVISION, ADONI (PRESENTLY WORKING AS DREO, RWS&S DEPARTMENT, BHEEMAVARAM OF WEST GODAVARI DISTRICT)

1. The Director General, (Vig & Enft), General Administration (Vigilance & Enforcement) Department, Vigilance Report No.22 (C.No.390/V&E/Engg/ 2018-1), dt.21.07.2022.

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ANNEXURE – IV

LIST OF WITNESSES BY WHICH THE ARTICLE OF CHARGES ARE FRAMED AGAINST SRI A.S.A.RAMASWAMY, THE THEN EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, RWS&S DIVISION, ADONI (PRESENTLY WORKING AS DREO, RWS&S DEPARTMENT, BHEEMAVARAM OF WEST GODAVARI DISTRICT)

- NIL –

B.RAJSEKHAR, IAS
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